

NOTICE OF FILING

UTILITIES SERVICES OF SOUTH CAROLINA, INC.

REQUESTS APPROVAL OF EXPANSION OF WATER SERVICE AREA

TO INCLUDE CERTAIN PORTIONS OF LEXINGTON COUNTY, SC

AND

APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT WITH WRIGHT & COLLINS DEVELOPMENT, LLC

FOR EXTENSION OF SERVICE TO SANDY OAKS SUBDIVISION

Utilities Services of South Carolina, Inc. has filed an Application requesting Commission approval to expand its existing water service area to include certain portions of Lexington County, South Carolina. The Application was filed pursuant to 26 S. C. Regs. 103-704 and 103-743 (Supp. 2003). The Company requests that it be allowed to provide service pursuant to the terms, conditions, rates and charges set forth in its existing rate schedule, and as may changed from time to time as a result of any proceedings that might be brought before the Commission by Applicant, and in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Agreement.

A copy of the Application is on file in the offices of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina, 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210, and is available from John M. S. Hoefer, Esq., **WILLOUGHBY & HOEFER, P.A.**, P. O. Box 8416, Columbia, S. C. 29202-8416.

A public hearing may be held in Columbia, South Carolina in the offices of the Commission for the purpose of receiving testimony and other evidence from all interested parties regarding this Application. The time and date of this hearing, if scheduled, will be furnished to all interested parties at a later date.

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at a hearing, if scheduled, should notify in writing, Bruce F. Duke, Executive Director, at the address below and John M. S. Hoefer, Esq. at the previously stated address on or before **August 23, 2004**. *Please refer to Docket No. 2004-187-W.*

Any person who wishes to present his views, but is unable or does not wish to appear and testify at a hearing, if scheduled, may do so in writing on or before **August 23, 2004**. *Please refer to Docket No. 2004-187-W.*

Any person who wishes to participate in a hearing, if scheduled, as a party of record with the right of cross-examination should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **August 23, 2004**. *Please refer to Docket No. 2004-187-W.*

Persons seeking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission at (803) 896-5115.

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